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SUBJECT: TOKYO MEDIA REACTION - ANTI-TERROR MEASURES IN
U.S.

¶1. LEAD STORIES: All Thursday morning papers gave top coverage to the resignation of Finance Minister Fujii, adding that Deputy Prime Minister Kan has been chosen to take over Fujii's portfolio.

¶2. "President Obama Enraged at Failure of Intelligence Community" On President Obama's press conference on Tuesday, during which he expressed strong criticism of the U.S. intelligence community's apparent failure to understand and integrate information related the aborted bombing attempt of a Delta Airlines airplane, the conservative Sankei stated: (1/7): "Given that various investigative reports on the 9/11 terrorist attack pointed out poor coordination among U.S. intelligence organizations, the fact that their intelligence collection and analysis capabilities have been found to be problematic again could deal a fatal blow to the Obama administration ahead of the mid-term election in autumn."

¶3. "Shortcomings Identified in U.S.'s Anti-Terror Network" The top-circulation, moderate Yomiuri wrote(1/7): "As one view holds that a turf war among U.S. intelligence agencies is the source of poor coordination within the intelligence community, President Obama may be pressed to conduct a comprehensive review of counterterrorism measures."

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